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In re Patent Application of:
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For: CEMENTED CARBIDE MATERIAL FOR
SURFACE COATED GEAR CUTTING TOOL
AND SURFACE COATED GEAR CUTTING
TOOL

Examiner: John A. Hevey

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated October 16, 2007, please amend the above identified U.S. patent Application as follows. A Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time accompanies this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.